

**EXHIBIT A**

**[Ashby & Geddes Invoice for Period March 20, 2024, through May 31, 2024]**

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June 11, 2024

Billed through 05/31/24

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Robert J. Cleary, Esq., as court appointed Examiner in FTX  
 bankruptcy cases (In re: FTX Trading Ltd.)

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED

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|-------------|----|---|------|------------|
| 03/20/24MDD | 07 | Review amended 3/20 hearing agenda (.1); attend FTX hearing (appointment of Examiner) (1.0); overview multiple docket filings regarding employment of Sullivan & Cromwell (1.3); emails with D. Lowenthal (pro hac papers, open issues, next steps) (.5);   | 2.90 | \$2,117.00 |
| 03/20/24MDD | 11 | J. McMahon email (parties in interest list), overview same (.2); guidance to AG staff regarding employment issues, conflicts search issues (.2); review and comments to all draft combined employment application papers (Patterson Belknap), request for seal of certain information (1.7);                      | 2.10 | \$1,533.00 |
| 03/21/24MDD | 07 | Review and process signed orders (examiner-related) (.2); email updates (D. Lowenthal) (.1); review sample examiner filings, for form (.5); emails with OUST (B. Hackman) (parties in interest lists) (.2); work on draft pro hac papers (Lowenthal and Black) (.2); review and process 3/25 hearing agenda (.1); | 1.30 | \$949.00   |

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| 03/21/24KMJ | 11           | Download Order approving appointment of examiner (.1); Prepare pro hac vice motions for D. Lowenthal and K. Black (.4); send drafts to D. Lowenthal and K. Black (.2); filed pro hac vice motions and uploaded proposed orders (.3); download and send copies to co-counsel (.2);   | 1.20 | \$402.00   |
| 03/22/24MDD | 11           | Begin review and processing of AG search results (1.0);   | 1.00 | \$730.00   |
| 03/23/24MDD | 11           | Review and process search results, connections, prepare draft tables regarding same (1.8);  | 1.80 | \$1,314.00 |
| 03/24/24MDD | 11           | Continue review and processing of search results, add to tables regarding same, internal follow up emails on related open issues (1.3);   | 1.30 | \$949.00   |
| 03/25/24MDD | 07           | Emails with Patterson Belknap team (.2); review and comments to proposed addendum to confidentiality order (.4); review prior filings regarding confidentiality agreement and protective order (.2); follow up emails with Patterson team (COC plus approval order) (.2); draft COC and proposed order regarding Addendum (.8), review Local Rules regarding same (.2); Patterson Belknap (K. Black) email to OUST counsel regarding same (.1); | 2.10 | \$1,533.00 |
| 03/25/24KMJ | 07           | Prepared draft Certification of Counsel and Proposed Order regarding Addendum to Confidentiality Agreement (.5);  | 0.50 | \$167.50   |
| 03/25/24MDD | 11           | Internal follow up emails (AG search results) (.2), revise and compile tables (.2);   | 0.40 | \$292.00   |
| 03/26/24MDD | 07           | OUST reply email (confidentiality agreement addendum) (.1); Patterson Belknap email updates, call with PB team regarding Addendum (.2); prepare Addendum, COC, and proposed order for filing, emails to K. Jones regarding same (.4);   | 0.70 | \$511.00   |

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| 03/26/24MDD | 11           | Review and process additional search results, add to tables (3.3);  | 3.30 \$2,409.00 |
| 03/27/24MDD | 11           | Review and process additional search results, update tables regarding same (.5); internal follow up emails regarding same (.2); review options for service (employment applications), emails with K. Jones regarding same (.2);   | 0.90 \$657.00   |
| 03/28/24MDD | 07           | Emails with chambers regarding initial Examiner status conference (.1);   | 0.10 \$73.00    |
| 03/28/24MDD | 11           | Continue review and processing of search results, compile tables (1.2);   | 1.20 \$876.00   |
| 03/29/24MDD | 11           | Review and process additional search results, additions to tables (.7); email update to Patterson team (.1); review Ad Hoc Cmte. of Non-U.S. Customers' sixth supplemental Rule 2019 statement, arrange for additional searches (.2); follow up emails with lead counsel (.1); begin work on AG employment application and related papers (.6); | 1.70 \$1,241.00 |
| 03/30/24MDD | 11           | Continue research, drafting, and review of Ashby employment application and all related papers (2.7);   | 2.70 \$1,971.00 |
| 03/31/24MDD | 11           | Review and comments to revised Patterson Belknap employment application papers (.8); continue review and drafting of Ashby employment application and related papers (2.8);   | 3.60 \$2,628.00 |
| 04/01/24TT  | 07           | Review email from K. Jones regarding service list (.1); prepare service list for same (1.0);  | 1.10 \$330.00   |
| 04/01/24RP  | 11           | Review/comment on A&G retention application papers (.8);  | 0.80 \$628.00   |
| 04/01/24MDD | 11           | Further review and work on Ashby employment application papers (.9), internal emails regarding same with  | 3.50 \$2,555.00 |

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partners regarding connections descriptions (.3); internal emails with K. Jones (Patterson Belknap employment application papers) (.2), research docket and review prior similar filings and seal aspects thereof (.3); email responses to Patterson Belknap regarding open questions, filing of employment application papers (sealed and unsealed) (.3); review PB final employment papers, redacted and unredacted; coordinate with K. Jones; prepare for filing and service (.5 total); review additional search results (ad hoc committee updates), incorporate same into Ashby employment papers (.5); email updates to Patterson Belknap team, lead counsel in Alameda adversary proceeding (Ashby employment papers) (.2); Patterson Belknap comments regarding Ashby employment papers, incorporate same (.2); email to OUST counsel regarding Ashby draft employment papers (.1);

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| 04/01/24KMJ | 11 | Emails w/ M. DeBaecke regarding filing under seal and service of PBWT retention application (.3); prepare COS and service list for retention application (.3); finalize redacted and unredacted retention application (.5); filed redacted and unredacted (under seal) retention application (.3); download and send email service (.2); | 1.60 | \$536.00 |
| 04/02/24MDD | 11 | Email from OUST counsel (Ashby disclosures) (.1);  | 0.10 | \$73.00  |
| 04/03/24MDD | 11 | Emails with OUST (B. Hackman) (.1); email update to Patterson Belknap (Ashby Geddes employment papers) (.2); review and edits, finalize same, email to Examiner for final review (.7); prepare Ashby employment papers for filing and service (.2);  | 1.20 | \$876.00 |

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| 04/03/24KMJ | 11           | Filed Ashby retention application with Court (.3); download and send email service (.2);  | 0.50 | \$167.50 |   |
| 04/08/24MDD | 11           | Patterson Belknap email update (K. Black) regarding supplemental Lowenthal Declaration (.1); review same and process for filing and service (.2);   | 0.30 | \$219.00 |   |
| 04/09/24MDD | 07           | Status update call with D. Lowenthal, discuss open issues and next steps (.3);  | 0.30 | \$219.00 |   |
| 04/12/24MDD | 07           | D. Lowenthal status update (.1);  | 0.10 | \$73.00  |   |
| 04/16/24MDD | 11           | Internal emails (K. Jones), review and edits to draft CNO regarding Patterson Belknap employment (.2);  | 0.20 | \$146.00 |   |
| 04/16/24KMJ | 11           | Prepared CNO regarding PBWT retention application (.3); send draft to co-counsel (.1); file CNO w/ court and uploaded proposed order (.2);  | 0.60 | \$201.00 |   |
| 04/18/24MDD | 07           | D. Lowenthal email inquiry (April 24 status conference) (.1); call with Debtors' counsel (A. Landis) regarding April 24 hearing (.1); review interim compensation procedures order (.1); follow up call with Debtors' counsel (scheduling) (.1), email update to Patterson Belknap team (.1); | 0.50 | \$365.00 |   |
| 04/18/24MDD | 11           | Review CNO for Ashby employment application (.1);   | 0.10 | \$73.00  |   |
| 04/18/24KMJ | 11           | Prepared CNO regarding Ashby's retention application (.3);  | 0.30 | \$100.50 |   |
| 04/19/24MDD | 07           | Review notice of rescheduled hearing (May 23) (.1);   | 0.10 | \$73.00  |   |
| 04/19/24MDD | 11           | Review revised CNO (Ashby employment application) (.1);   | 0.10 | \$73.00  |   |
| 04/19/24KMJ | 11           | File CNO w/ court and uploaded proposed order (PBWT employment application) (.2); download Order approving PBWT retention and circulate to co-counsel (.2);   | 0.60 | \$201.00 |   |

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download Order approving Ashby & Geddes' retention and circulate to co-counsel (.2);

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| 04/26/24MDD | 23 | Patterson Belknap (K. Black) email update (.1); review and comments to draft motion to amend Examination Scope Order and proposed order related thereto (.8);   | 0.90 | \$657.00   |
| 04/30/24MDD | 23 | K. Black email updates with revised proposed order (draft motion to amend Examination Order) (.3); review Local Rules and respond with thoughts (.5); call to chambers (.1); prepare draft email to chambers regarding Motion, scheduling (.6), emails with Patterson team and Examiner (.2); internal emails with K. Jones (motion papers) (.2); review and comments to further revised draft motion to amend Order (.3); follow up emails with Patterson Belknap (K. Black) (.4); finalize and transmit email to chambers and various counsel (.3); | 2.90 | \$2,117.00 |
| 05/01/24MDD | 23 | Follow up mails to/from chambers (scheduling) (.2); multiple emails with Patterson Belknap team (.2), K. Jones (.1); final review and processing, prepare motion to amend papers for filing and service (.4);   | 0.90 | \$657.00   |
| 05/01/24KMJ | 23 | Finalized Motion to Amend Order and prepared COS (.5); filed w/ court (.2); download, send email service and coordinate mail service (.3);  | 1.00 | \$335.00   |
| 05/02/24KMJ | 07 | Finalized and filed Second Supplemental Declaration ISO PBWT retention application (.2); download and send email service (.2);  | 0.40 | \$134.00   |
| 05/02/24MDD | 11 | K. Black email (Lowenthal second supplemental declaration) (.1); review and comment on same, prepare for filing and service, emails with K. Jones regarding same (.3);  | 0.40 | \$292.00   |
| 05/07/24MDD | 07 | Email update with Patterson Belknap   | 0.10 | \$73.00    |

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|             |              | (K. Black) (.1);  |      |            |
| 05/14/24MDD | 23           | Email updates with Patterson Belknap team (.1); status update call and discuss draft report, next steps with K. Black (.2); review Media Intervenors' objection to Examiner's motion to amend Examination Scope Order (.2); emails with K. Jones (.1); review Examiner motion to amend papers (.2); | 0.80 | \$584.00   |
| 05/15/24MDD | 11           | K. Black email update (Patterson Belknap first fee application) (.1); review interim compensation procedures order (.2), email to K. Jones regarding same (.1);   | 0.40 | \$292.00   |
| 05/15/24MDD | 23           | Review Local Rules (.3), discuss same, forthcoming Report, next steps with K. Jones (.3); call to chambers (.1);  | 0.70 | \$511.00   |
| 05/16/24KMJ | 07           | Finalized and filed PBWT's first monthly fee statement (.4); download and send email service (.2); add deadlines to calendar (.1);  | 0.70 | \$234.50   |
| 05/16/24MDD | 11           | K. Black emails (Patterson fee application) (.2); review and comments to draft Patterson First Monthly Fee Statement (.7); review revised draft Patterson first fee application, prepare for filing and service (.2);   | 1.10 | \$803.00   |
| 05/17/24MDD | 23           | Email updates with Patterson Belknap team (report) (.4); K. Black email regarding draft reply (motion to amend) (.1); review and comments to draft reply in support of motion to amend (.4), discuss same and Report with D. Lowenthal (.3);  | 1.20 | \$876.00   |
| 05/18/24MDD | 23           | K. Black email update (report) (.1); begin review and comments to draft Report (6.5);   | 6.60 | \$4,818.00 |
| 05/19/24MDD | 23           | Continue review and comments to draft Report (4.4), multiple emails with Patterson Belknap team regarding same (.5); review Local Rules and chambers procedures (.3),   | 5.60 | \$4,088.00 |



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|             |              | email update to Patterson Belknap team (Report-related issues) (.2); review revised draft Examiner reply in support of motion to amend Scope order (.2);  |      |            |
| 05/20/24KMJ | 23           | Finalized and filed Reply in Support of Motion to Amend Order and Notice of Filing of Examiner's Report (.7); prepare/file COS re: same (.2); download and send email service (.2); finalized and filed Examiner's Report under Seal (.5); download and send copies to co-counsel (.2);   | 1.80 | \$603.00   |
| 05/20/24MDD | 11           | Review interim compensation procedures order (.2), order appointing fee examiner (.2), email to Patterson Belknap team regarding same (.1);   | 0.50 | \$365.00   |
| 05/20/24MDD | 23           | Review open items for Report (.3), email to Patterson Belknap team regarding same (.1); emails with K. Jones regarding status, logistics, next steps (.4); status update and strategy calls with D. Lowenthal (.6); review and comments to draft Notice of Report Filing (.2); further emails with Patterson Belknap team (.2), review and prepare Reply and Notice of Filing Report for filing and service (.6); follow up emails with D. Lowenthal (motion to amend order) (.3); multiple emails and calls with Patterson Belknap team (multiple persons) (Report) (.5); further internal emails with K. Jones (Report) (.2); overview final version of Report, prepare for filing under seal (.5); | 3.90 | \$2,847.00 |
| 05/21/24MDD | 07           | Review May 23 hearing agenda (.1);  | 0.10 | \$73.00    |
| 05/21/24KMJ | 23           | Prepared draft COC regarding revised proposed order (motion to amend scope order) (.4); download Agenda for 5/23 hearing (.1)   | 0.50 | \$167.50   |
| 05/21/24MDD | 23           | Review certain portions of Report (.7); email updates with D.   | 2.30 | \$1,679.00 |

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Lowenthal (.2), emails with K. Jones (.2), work up revised proposed order (motion to amend scope order) (.2); D. Lowenthal emails with counsel for objectors (.1); further emails with D. Lowenthal (Report) (.2); call with Debtors' counsel (M. Pierce) (.1); further emails with D. Lowenthal (objection; hearing) (.2); review and edits, draft COC for potential revised proposed order (motion to amend) (.4);

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| 05/22/24TT  | 23 | Evening coverage for potential filing of Certification of Counsel regarding Revised Proposed Order (motion to amend scope order) (3.0);   | 3.00 | \$900.00   |
| 05/22/24MDD | 07 | Review amended May 23 hearing agenda (.1);  | 0.10 | \$73.00    |
| 05/22/24KMJ | 07 | Coordinate preparation of hearing binder (.3); inter-office emails with M. DeBaecke and T. Tsaganos re: coordination of filing of COC with revised proposed orders (.3);  | 0.60 | \$201.00   |
| 05/22/24MDD | 23 | D. Lowenthal emails with counsel for Media Intervenors (.1), email update to D. Lowenthal (.1); internal email updates with K. Jones (.2); follow up emails and discussion with D. Lowenthal and Examiner (.2); update call to chambers (.1); update call and instructions with K. Jones (.3); email to chambers (.2); further emails with Patterson Belknap team (.1); review and comments to revised proposed order (.2); further emails among the parties (.2); call with Debtors' counsel (K. Brown) (.2); further emails with Patterson team and further revised proposed order, resolution with Debtors and UCC regarding Report redactions (.5); final review and edits to final form of revised proposed order, COC, blackline of revised order (.4); follow up call and emails with Debtors' counsel (K. Brown) (.2); status update and strategy call with | 4.20 | \$3,066.00 |

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D. Lowenthal (.4); email from J. McMahon (.1), further emails with Patterson Belknap team (.4), Landis Rath team (.1); email update and instructions to Ashby staff (.2) (all foregoing related to motion to amend, revised proposed order, and May 23 hearing);

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| 05/23/24KMJ | 23 | Emails with M. DeBaecke (.2); finalized and filed COC regarding revised proposed order (.4); upload proposed order (.1); download and send email service (.2); download order amending scope of examination and send copies to co-counsel (.2); file Examiner's Report w/ Court (.3); download, send email service and coordinate mail service (.3);   | 1.70 | \$569.50   |
| 05/23/24MDD | 23 | OUST emails regarding revised proposed order (B. Hackman, J. McMahon) (.1); review and edit/update draft COC, email to Patterson Belknap team regarding same and revised proposed order, next steps (.3); internal emails and instructions with K. Jones (.2); A. Landis email (.1); follow up emails with Patterson Belknap (D. Lowenthal, Examiner) (.2); prepare for and attend May 23 hearing (1.8); follow up call with D. Lowenthal (.2); email from Debtors' counsel (K. Brown) (.1); call with K. Jones regarding filing and service of Report (.2); | 3.20 | \$2,336.00 |
| 05/24/24MDD | 23 | Email from counsel for Ledger X (Report);  | 0.10 | \$73.00    |
| 05/28/24MDD | 23 | Review selected portions of Report (.4);   | 0.40 | \$292.00   |
| 05/31/24MDD | 23 | Status update and strategy discussion with D. Lowenthal (next steps) (.3); docket research (case hearing schedule) (.2), email with follow up thoughts to Patterson Belknap team (next steps) (.3);  | 0.80 | \$584.00   |

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Total fees \$57,562.00

## DISBURSEMENTS

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|---------------------|--|----------|
| 03/31/24            | Costs Advanced (U. S. District Court - Pro Hac Fees 3/21/24)                                       | 100.00   |
| 05/06/24            | Costs Advanced (Reliable Wilmington - Inv. No. WL116627, 5/6/24 Document Duplication and Mail-Out) | 44.26    |
| 05/31/24            | Parcels Inc. (Inv. No. 1085336, 5/29/24 Document Duplication and Mail-Out)                         | 279.57   |
| 05/31/24            | Pacer Service - Court On-Line Docket System Charges  | 38.10    |
| 05/31/24            | Postage  | 100.96   |
| 05/31/24            | Photocopies  | 156.30   |
| Total disbursements |  | \$719.19 |

## BILLING SUMMARY

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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Palacio, Ricardo     | 0.80 hrs  | 785.00/hr | \$628.00    |
| DeBaecke, Michael D. | 70.80 hrs | 730.00/hr | \$51,684.00 |
| Jones, Kristy M      | 12.00 hrs | 335.00/hr | \$4,020.00  |
| Tsaganos, Tina       | 4.10 hrs  | 300.00/hr | \$1,230.00  |

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| TOTAL FEES | 87.70 hrs | \$57,562.00 |
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| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | \$719.19 |
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| TOTAL CHARGES FOR THIS BILL | \$58,281.19 |
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| TOTAL BALANCE NOW DUE FOR THIS MATTER | \$58,281.19 |
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RECAP BY TIMEKEEPER

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| RP    | Palacio, Ricardo     | 0.80 hrs  | 785 /hr | \$628.00    |
| MDD   | DeBaecke, Michael D. | 70.80 hrs | 730 /hr | \$51,684.00 |
| KMJ   | Jones, Kristy M      | 12.00 hrs | 335 /hr | \$4,020.00  |
| TT    | Tsaganos, Tina       | 4.10 hrs  | 300 /hr | \$1,230.00  |
| TOTAL |                      |           |         | \$57,562.00 |

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RECAP BY TASK

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| 07 | Case Administration     | 11.70 hours | \$7,199.00  |
| 11 | Employment and Fee Apps | 33.50 hours | \$22,603.00 |
| 23 | Investigation           | 42.50 hours | \$27,760.00 |

RECAP BY EXPENSE CODE

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|-----|-------------------------------|---------|----------|
| CA  | Costs Advanced                | 144.26  | \$144.26 |
| PC  | Photocopies                   | 1563.00 | \$156.30 |
| PCR | Pacer Service - Court On-Line | 38.10   | \$38.10  |
| PI  | Parcels Inc. - Delivery Servi | 279.57  | \$279.57 |
| POS | Postage                       | 100.96  | \$100.96 |